# OFFICE OF THE MAYOR CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU

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PETER B. CARLISLE MAYOR



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June 22, 2011

The Honorable Nestor R. Garcia, Chair and Members Honolulu City Council 530 South King Street, Room 202 Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813

Dear Chair Garcia and Councilmembers:

In accordance with Section 4-104 of the Revised Charter of the City and County of Honolulu, as amended, I am requesting the City Council's confirmation of the following member of my cabinet, who will be serving a temporary commission effective July 1, 2011 and expiring upon his permanent appointment.

Robert Carson Godbey Corporation Counsel

The officer's information is enclosed.

The individuals who have accepted my call to join the City government are all experienced, capable, and dedicated leaders, and I would deeply appreciate your confirmation of their nominations.

Sincerely,

Peter B. Carlisle

Mayor

**Enclosure** 

# CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU NOMINEE/APPOINTEE FORM

1.	Position Nominated to:Corporation Counsel
2.	Name: Robert Carson Godbey
	(First) (Middle) (Last)
3.	Are you a citizen of the United States? Yes X No
	Are you a resident of the City and County of Honolulu? Yes <u>×</u> No <u></u> If yes, how long <u>24 years</u>
	Are you a registered voter in the City and County of Honolulu? Yes <u>x</u> No
4.	Occupation: Attorney
5.	Name and address of employer or firm:  Godbey Griffiths, LLLC, 1003 Bishop St. Ste. 2300  Pauahi Tower, Honolulu, HT 96813
6.	Does your employer do any business with the City and County of Honolulu?  Yes No _x If yes, state the nature of business and approximate dollar amount in the last five years:
7.	Do you or does any member of your immediate family hold office or own stock in any firm? Yes <u>x</u> No
	Does the firm do business with the City and County of Honolulu? Yes No _x Provide details of your "yes" answers including the name(s) of the firm:  My wife, Ellen Godbey Carson (EGC) is a Director and Stockholder
	in Alston Hunt Floyd & Ing, a Law Corp. (AHFI). AHFI does not do business with the City but does represent parties adverse to the City. EGC is not involved in such representation.
8.	Do you have any part-time employment, professional activity, or financial
	interests other than those indicated in the previous question? Yes _x No No If yes, provide details: EGC and I own some broadly traded funds, and EGC and I own stock in Apple and Google. We own shares in
	Hawaiian Tax-Free Trust (HULAX), a mutual fund investing in municipal securities which I assame include those of the City.
9.	Do you foresee any possible conflict between your present work, financial investments, business transactions or any other activity which would be incompatible with the proper discharge of your official duties or hinder you from effectively carrying out the duties for which you have been appointed? Yes No _x
10.	Are any members of your family employed by the City and County of Honolulu or any attached agency? Yes No _x If yes, please specify the department and division:

Yes :	NO <u>X</u>
	ever been convicted of a felony? If yes, provide details:
Education: Please	e see attached resume.
including i	summary of major work experience for the last ten (10) years. Begin with your present job military (attach additional sheets if necessary or resume):  e see attached resume.
County):	y activities, etc. (also list any service on any other board or commission Federal, State or see attached resume.
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	ever been a member of a board or commission with the City and County of Honolulu?  No _x_ If yes, provide name(s) of board/commission:
Yes N	
Yes N	No _x If yes, provide name(s) of board/commission:
Yes N	e able to commit to the full term of this appointment? Yes _x_ No
Yes N Will you b Will you re Are you w	e able to commit to the full term of this appointment? Yes _x_ No  e able to commit to meeting dates and times? Yes _x_ No

The above statements m	ade by me are tr	ue, complete and correct to the best of:	my
Knowledge and belief, a	nd are made in s	good faith.	
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(Signature)	/	(Date)/	
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The completed form and any attachment(s) will be posted by the City Clerk and available on the City's DocuShare Website.

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## **ROBERT CARSON GODBEY**

#### **EDUCATION**

Harvard Law School, J.D. cum laude 1980.

Southern Methodist University, B.S. Math *magna cum laude* 1975, B.S. Electrical Engineering *magna cum laude* 1975; Phi Beta Kappa, Tau Beta Pi.

Waltrip High School, Houston Independent School District, 1971.

### **EMPLOYMENT**

Godbey Griffiths, LLLC, Honolulu, Hawaii, 1991 to present – attorney emphasizing technology law, intellectual property matters, and general commercial litigation.

U.S. Department of Justice, Assistant United States Attorney for the District of Hawaii, 1987 to 1991, Assistant United States Attorney for the District of Columbia, 1984 to 1987 – trial attorney representing the United States, with over 35 cases tried to verdict.

Peabody Lambert & Meyers, Washington, D.C., 1980 to 1984 – associate attorney.

Harvard University, Cambridge, Massachusetts, 1978 to 1980 – teaching fellow with the Harvard Program on Information Resources Policy.

Texas Instruments, Dallas, Texas, 1976 to 1977 – telecommunications engineer.

Southwestern Bell Telephone Company, Dallas, Texas, 1975 to 1976 – telecommunications engineer.

#### **COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES**

Member, Board of Bar Examiners, 2005 to present; Treasurer, Hawaii State Bar Association, currently and also in 2007; Life Fellow of the American Bar Foundation, 2006 to present; Delegate, Ninth Circuit Judicial Conference, 2004 to 2006; Delegate, U.S. District Court for the District of Hawaii Judicial Conference, 2004 to 2006 (Lawyer Chair 2006); Member, Hawaii Supreme Court Standing Committee on Criminal Jury Instructions, 1991 to 2005; Member, University of Hawaii Arts and Sciences Advisory Council, 2003 to 2008; Director, Harbor Square AOAO, 2005 to 2007.

### **AWARDS AND RECOGNITION**

Martindale-Hubble "AV" rating; Honolulu Magazine's "Hawaii's Best Lawyers" and related reference "Best Lawyers in America"; Who's Who in Law; Who's Who in America; Who's Who in the World.

#### PERSONAL

Married for 32 years to Ellen Godbey Carson.